

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-49. (Cancelled)

50. (Currently Amended) A cell collection medium, allowing morphological analysis and quantitation of RNA, DNA or proteins in a cellular sample, the medium being water based and comprising an alcohol, a cross-linking agent and an anti-degradation agent, the cross-linking agent being an aldehyde and comprising about 1% to about 15% of the medium, and the medium, when the cellular sample is placed thereinto, stabilizing the cellular sample sufficiently to allow separate morphological and quantitative analyses, wherein the medium comprises a buffer component, at least one alcohol component, a cross-linking agent and an agent to inhibit degradation of at least one of the group consisting of RNA, DNA, and protein, wherein the cross-linking agent is selected from the group consisting of formaldehyde and glutaraldehyde~~The medium of claim 49, and wherein the cross-linking agent comprises glutaraldehyde-bisulfite.~~

51-75. (Cancelled)